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TAGS: CASC, SP (LEVIN, PAUL R.)

SUBJECT: PRIVACY ACT IN CASE OF PAUL LEVIN

REF: STATE OM DATED AUG 19,1976 MADRID 5290 AND 4911

1. INSTANCE SENATOR PERCY

2. EMBASSY IN RECEIPT DEPARTMENT'S CONGRESSIONAL OM DATED AUGUST 19,1976 ENCLOSING LETTER FROM SENATOR CHARLES H. PERCY DATED AUGUST 9,1976 TO UNDER SECRETARY ROBERT J. MCCLOSKEY CONCERNING CASE OF PAUL LEVIN. OM INCLUDES COPY OF RECENT CHICAGO DAILY NEWS ARTICLE ACCOUNT OF THE EMBASSY HANDLING OF CASE (PRESUMABLY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT'S PARENTS). SENATORS OF LETTER REQUESTS EMBASSY MADRID "RESPOND TO THE CHARGES OF THE ARTICLE AND EXPLAIN ITS PRACTICES IN THESE MATTERS".

3. WE PRESUME SIGNED STATEMENT OF CONSENT FROM LEVIN AND PARENTS TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION IN CASE MAY BE REQUIRED UNDER PRIVACY ACT BEFORE EMBASSY CAN RESPOND TO SENATOR'S REQUEST. IF SO, WE ALSO OF OPINION THAT EMBASSY'S REPLY (WHICH WILL BE SENT THROUGH DEPARTMENT) MIGHT BE LIMITED TO ADVISING SENATOR THAT IN ABSENCE OF CONSENT OF PARTIES CONCERNED WE NOT FREE TO ADDRESS OURSELVES TO CHARGES IN ARTICLE, BUT COULD REPLY IN GENERAL TERMS REGARDING PARCTICES OF EMBASSY IN CASES WHERE U.S. CITIZENS INJURED ABROAD.

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4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE AND
COMMENTS RE THE APPLICATION OF PRIVACY ACT REQUIREMENTS
IN THIS DELICATE CASE SO THAT WE CAN FURNISH A PROMPT
AND RESPONSIVE REPLY TO SENATOR.
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